

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Hastings et al. Attorney Docket No.: PF487

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Title: Novel Hyaluronan-Binding Proteins and Encoding Genes

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed April 9, 2003 (Paper No. 21), Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith (a) a Fee Transmittal Sheet; (b) a Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 with form PTO/SB/08A and attached references AG-AP; (c) Exhibits A, B, C and D; (d) a Substitute Sequence Listing (paper and electronic copy) with accompanying Statements Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.825(a) and (b); (e) an Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form PTOL-413A; and (f) One Month Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

Prior to examining the captioned application, Applicants respectfully request the entry of the amendments on the following pages.

- Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the claims begin on page 4 of this paper.
- Amendments to the sequence listing are noted on page 11 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.